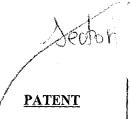
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- A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application;
- Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- Assignment Recordation Cover Form attached w/ executed Assignment;
- English translation of the specification with Declaration;
- Petition for One-Month Extension of Time; and
- Check for \$1,318.00 to cover the filing fee (\$740), Surcharge (\$130), Petition for Filing in Language other than English (\$130), Recordation (\$40), Petition for Extension of Time (\$110) and fee for 2 independent claims in excess of 3 (\$168).

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
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